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Applicants

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For

Immobilized Carbohydrate Biosensor

Group Art Unit: 1641

Examiner: B. Nguyen

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

A final rejection was received in this application on February 11, 1999. A CPA was therefore filed on August 11, 1999, with a Petition for Extension of Time along with the appropriate fee to extend the time for response up to and including August 11, 1999.

In response to the Final Office Action of February 11, 1999, and to the Advisory Action of June 18, 1998, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-21, without prejudice or disclaimer as to the subject matter of the canceled claims. 08/16/1999 SDUONG 00000113 08356229

Please add new claims 22-49, as follows:

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22. An immobilized carbohydrate derivative biosensor, comprising:

a surface,

a spacer molecule bound to the surface; and